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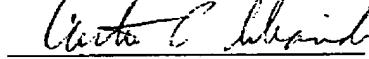
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Sir:

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

This is in response to the U.S. Patent & Trademark
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Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections are
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